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ASSIGNEE CONSENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.172

BMG, Incorporated, assignee and sole owner of U.S. Patent No. 6,168,626 B1 which issued to Hyon et al. on January 2, 2001, consents to the filing of the Reissue Application No. 10/141,374 filed May 8, 2002 for the reissue of said U.S. Patent No. 6,168,626 B1.

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Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.69(b)

I hereby state, to the best of my knowledge, that the attached "Reissue Application Declaration by the Inventor" for the above captioned Reissue Application sets forth an accurate English-language translation of its Japanese-language text.

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is Described and claimed in Patent Number 6,168,626 granted 01/02/2001, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled <u>Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene Molded Article for Artificial Joints and Method of Preparing the Same</u>

(下記の名称の発明は、2001年1月2日に認めれた特許番号6,168,626である。再発行特許出願する発明の名称は「人工関節用超高分子量ポリエチレン成形物およびその製造法」。)

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